since the matter is complex no time limit can be indicated.

(b) The Presidential Order in this connection permits only Hindus and Sikhs to be considered for notification as Scheduled Castes provided they satisfy the criteria for declaration as scheduled castes.

T. V. Programmes

684. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether fit is a fact that the majority of Television p-cgrammes cater to the urban population and specially upper middle classes which have little relevance to the problems and needs of millions of people in backward areas; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The planning of all programme? of Door-darshan is based on the interest and needs of all sections of the society and not merely the urban population and upper middle classes. Special Area Specific Programmes are telecast for target audience in rural areas. Programmes produced by Regional Doordarshan Kendras are specially prepared to cater to the cultural social and developmental needs of the viewers of that particular area.

Oriya film songs in chitramala

685. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that song sequences from Oriya films are not telecast In Chitramala to the required extent; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHFj AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Pilot projects for Agriculture

686. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to introduce some pilot projects for increasing agricultural production, particularly wheat and rice, in the State of Orissa during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the Districts in the State selected for the purpose; and

(d) the details of financial assis tance that the Union Government propose to provide to the State for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) $Ther_e$ is no proposal to introduce 4 any pilot project for increasing pro-duction of wheat or rice in Orissa during the 7th Five Year Flan period. However, a Centrally Sponsored Speical Rice Production Pdogramme is already under implementation in the State from 1985-86.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Foodgrains *to* Orissa under World Food Programme

687. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Union Government are considering to provide food-grains t_0 the State of Orissa under the World Food Programme;

(b) if so, the number of districts in the State to be covered;

(c) the quantum of foodgrains to be given to the State; and

(d) the period for which this aid will be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICLLTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) There is no proposal of Government of Orissa under consideration of the Union Government for providing foodgrains assistance under World Food Programme. However, a project entitled 'Socio-economic' Development through Forestry Activities in Orissa is already under operation with WFP commodity assistance from April, 1986.

(b) The project is in operation in all the 13 districts of the State in certain identified areai.

(c) WFP has committal following quantities of commodity aid for the project:

Commodity	Quantity (Tons)
(a) Wheat.	5 <W73
(b) Rice..	. 11, 230
(c) Vegetable oil.	5, 270
(d) Pulses	5, 270

(d) The aid will be provided for a period of 5 years from April, 1936.

Overstay in Government quarter

688. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHA-KRISHNA: Will ths Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 1350 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th August, 1987 and state:

(a) the person ecu] occupying Qr. No. 11 LF College Road has since vacated the place; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the amount recovered and the rate at which it was recovered for the period of overstay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE EN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. Shri N. N. Singh, unauthorised occupant of Qr. No. 11 (LF), College Road has since vacated the quarter on 1-9-87 (AN).

(b) Shri Singh has been charged damages at market rate amounting to Es. 24, 323 for the period of overstay. He has already paid Rs. 3, 658 and recovery proceedings have been initiated under Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971 to recover the outstanding damages.

Awards for T. V Serials

689. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to 6tate;

(a) whether there is any proposal •to institute separate awards for television serials and telefilms and not permit them to compete for the National Film Awards given annually; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRi AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Doordarshan ha_s a scheme for Annual Awards. As per rules, these awards are given annually for the best programmes produced and telecast by Doordarshan during each calendar year. Decision to widen the scope of these awards to include inter-atia television serials and telefiilms has not been taken.

The National Film Awards which are organised by the Directorate of Film Festivals, come under a separate scheme. The Rules for these awards, to be applicable from 1988 and onwards have since been revised. As per these Revised Rules programmes in video format are not eligible for competition.